

## PRESIDENT PLANS VACATION TRIP

Will Select Quiet Spot on Gulf of Mexico for Three Weeks' Outing.

Washington, December 19.—President Wilson will take a three weeks' vacation immediately after he signs the currency bill, which is expected to be on Monday or Tuesday. Where he will go has not yet been announced, though it is said he and his family will select a quiet spot on the coast of the Gulf of Mexico, near New Orleans. It is known, however, that Asheville, N. C., and several other places have been considered.

This will be the longest absence of the President from the capital since he was inaugurated. There will be no New Year's reception at the White House, as the President will be out of the city during the holidays.

The President has been suffering from an attack of grippe for nearly two weeks, but the announcement of his intended vacation was made some time before he became ill. His physicians had advised a halt in the President's labors, which have been continued without material interruption for practically a year.

As President-elect, Mr. Wilson returned from a month's vacation in the Bermuda last December, and in the succeeding three months was under the double strain of his official duties as Governor of New Jersey and preparation for the presidency. Since March 4, he has been in Washington almost constantly, occupied with pressing administrative affairs.

Inasmuch as the President intends to be away until about January 12, the diplomatic reception planned for January 6, will be postponed to the following week, and the dates in the entire social schedule of State dinners and receptions at the White House for the winter season will be revised.

## MAJOR HEMPHILL LOSES LAWSUIT

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Greenboro, N. C., December 19.—The suit in United States District Court brought by Major J. C. Hemphill, former editor of the Charlotte Observer, and at one time editor of the Times-Dispatch, of Richmond, and Andrew B. Gonzales, of the Columbia State, against D. A. Tompkins, George Stephens, W. H. Wood and the First National Bank, of Charlotte, N. C., for the appointment of a receiver for certain shares of stock in the Observer Company, of Charlotte, transferred or alleged to have been transferred under an alleged contract of September, 1911, came to an end here this morning, when Judge James E. Boyd, of the United States District Court, signed a decree dismissing the suit, and ordering that the defendants recover of the plaintiffs the costs of the action, and further that the restraining order heretofore issued be set aside. As a conclusion of law, the court, ruling on the defendants' exceptions, holds that the contract of September 1911, by which certain shares of stock of the Observer Company were transferred, did not constitute a partnership between the parties, and that the contract is illegal and void under the corporation laws of North Carolina.

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## MRS. ALBERT T. PATRICK DEAD

Devoted Many Years to Proving Innocence of Husband.

Tulsa, Okla., December 19.—Mrs. Albert T. Patrick, whose husband served twelve years in Sing Sing prison as the alleged murderer of William Marsh Rice, died here today. Patrick and her children were at the bedside. Mrs. Patrick, nee Addie M. Francis, was married to Patrick soon after his conviction for the murder of Rice. For the ensuing twelve years she devoted her entire time and expended \$50,000 in efforts to prove Patrick's innocence and gain a pardon for him.

## ASSIGNMENT FOR WOOD

Washington, December 19.—Secretary Garrison announced today that when Major-General Leonard Wood leaves the office of chief of staff and until he will be assigned to command the Eastern Department, with headquarters at Governors Island, New York, succeeding Major-General Thomas H. Barry, who will go to the Philippines. Secretary Garrison made no announcement as to General Wood's successor as chief of staff.

## Box for Divorce

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] Fredericksburg, Va., December 19.—Jesse P. Phipps, through his attorney, Frederick W. Coleman, of this city, has instituted suit in the Circuit Court of Caroline County for a divorce from his wife, Mrs. Julia Phipps, on the grounds of willful desertion and abandonment.

## NEW ACCUSATION AGAINST McLEAN

Treasurer of Democratic State Committee Took Contribution From Corporation.

ONE SOLICITED BY KELLY

Democratic Leader of Onondaga Charged With Indictable Offense.

New York, December 19.—Testimony that William H. Kelly, Democratic leader of Onondaga County, solicited a campaign contribution from a corporation, an indictable offense, was adduced today at the State highway graft investigation. It was also testified that Arthur A. McLean, treasurer of the Democratic State Committee, accepted a contribution from a corporation, an offense for which he already stands twice indicted.

The evidence against Kelly was given by Isaac O. Cole, secretary of the Onondaga Construction Company, which holds State road contracts. Cole said that at Kelly's written request, he went to Syracuse in October, 1911, to see Everett P. Fowler, the so-called Tammany "baron." The witness said he missed Fowler at the committee's headquarters, but Kelly told him the State committee wanted a contribution from him.

He reminded Kelly that it was unlawful to make a contribution for a corporation, but Kelly, he swore, said: "That makes no difference," and gave him the address of Norman E. Mack, chairman of the Democratic State Committee, to whom to send his check. Cole said he sent his personal check to Mack and charged it to the corporation.

Gift From Corporation.

The new accusation against McLean was brought out on the testimony of C. H. Aikenhead, president of Aikenhead, Bailey & Donaldson, Inc. The witness said Mr. Bailey, had been solicited for a contribution by Fowler in 1912, and that the corporation had decided to contribute \$500. Aikenhead produced a canceled check for that amount made out to the order of McLean, signed with the name of the corporation, and countersigned by himself and Donaldson. He also produced a receipt for that amount to which McLean's signature was affixed. This also was not reported, Mr. Whitman said.

Frank H. Falls, of Falls Brothers & Fletcher, another contracting corporation, testified that he sent his personal check for \$100 to McLean in 1912 at the solicitation of Fowler.

John Julian, of Brooks & Julian, a partnership, testified that he was asked to contribute by Fowler in 1911. He said he sent \$50 to McLean. He said Fowler told him the size of his job called for that amount.

Julius Frederick, of the Julius Frederick Company, another corporation, told of having been asked to contribute by Fowler both in 1911 and 1912. When he told Fowler his concern was a corporation, Fowler told him, he said, that he would accept a contribution from him as an individual. Accordingly, he sent \$250 individually to Norman E. Mack. This was charged against his corporation, he thought, as "material."

## GOETHALS DENIES FRICTION EXISTS

In Letter to Metcalfe Expresses Regrets for Attacks in Press.

Panama, December 19.—With reference to reports published in the United States, that relations between Colonel George W. Goethals, chairman of the Isthmian Canal Commission, and Richard L. Metcalfe, head of the Department of Commerce, had become strained, the following letter sent by Colonel Goethals, under date of December 18, to Mr. Metcalfe, was made public.

"Your letter of even date with inclosed newspaper clipping received. No one regrets more than I the attacks made upon you in the public press. That we held different views on the question of permanent organization in Panama between us, and the congressional hearings will show that others entertained views similar to yours without prejudice to them.

"You were the first to inform me that an employee of the Commissary Department was conducting an investigation concerning the commissary, and I began graft on the part of some of the officials connected with that department.

"You at the same time offered your services and expressed a desire to protect the work against scandal, subsequently assisting me in the preliminary investigation and in securing all information possible in connection with the matter.

"There is no truth in the statement that I became offended because you recommended Mr. Thompson as the successor to Mr. Burke, and recognized in this your desire to assist me by recommending a man you considered to possess the necessary qualifications.

"The newspaper article in question misrepresents your attitude, and the relations existing between us. No friction has existed at any time. You have loyally co-operated with me, as you stated you would when you first came to the Isthmus, and I appreciate the services you have rendered."

## PICTURE PLAY STOPPED.

Officer Alleges Show Is in Violation of Public Morals.

New York, December 19.—The motion picture play, "The House of the White Slave Traffic," at the Park Theatre, was stopped tonight by the police. This act followed the issuance of a warrant for the arrest of Samuel Long, the producer. The warrant was issued by Magistrate Murphy on the application of Deputy Police Commissioner Newberger, who alleged that the show was in violation of the penal laws concerning the protection of public morals.

A complaint against the show was dismissed last Tuesday by Magistrate Ten Eyck. Several leading suffragists testified that the play was educational. Representatives of the American Vigilance Society, the Society of the Christian Mission claimed that the play would have a harmful effect upon the young, and that it was not true to life.

## Washington Birthday Parade.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] Alexandria, Va., December 19.—For the first time in six years the George Washington Birthday Association will hold on February 22 a civic and military parade in observance of the day. The President, members of the Cabinet and the Governors of Maryland and Virginia will be invited.

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## News of Petersburg

The Times-Dispatch Bureau, 5 Bollingbrook Street, (Phone 1485).

Petersburg, Va., December 19.

James W. Johnson, 4000 forty years old, a tailor by trade and a man of intelligence and good appearance, walked into the police station last evening, and somewhat startled the officers present by requesting that they take charge of and protect him from himself. He said that at times he had great desire to drown or kill himself, and at other times to take things that did not belong to him. It was to save himself from suicide or disgrace that he asked to be taken into custody. It was seen that his mind was disordered, and physicians—Dr. W. P. Hoy and Dr. H. A. Burke—were summoned to look into his case. They found that John C. Johnson was suffering from a severe nervous strain or break down, causing mental derangement. A commission was held, and it was deemed advisable to commit Johnson to the State Hospital at Williamsburg for expert treatment. Under such care it is expected that he will be restored.

Johnson is an Englishman, and has a mother living in Bradford, Yorkshire, England. He has no relatives in this country, and has been living in Petersburg for several months.

## Ordained to the Ministry.

In the presence of a large congregation, assembled in Woodlawn Baptist Church, near Swift Creek, in Chesterfield County, last night, R. L. Matthews, of this city, was ordained to the full order of the Baptist ministry. The Baptist ministers of this city conducted the ordination services. The Rev. J. M. Picher, D. D., presided and offered the prayer, and the Rev. L. M. Roper preached the sermon. The charge to the church was delivered by the Rev. F. W. Moore, the charge to the minister was delivered by Dr. Picher, and the Bible was presented by the Rev. A. R. Love.

Mr. Matthews has long been engaged in mercantile business in this city. He is a man of high standing

and honorable record, and has been active in the work of the church and Sunday school. He has for several years been preaching at Woodlawn church, of which he has been elected pastor.

## Masonic Officers Elected.

Petersburg Lodge, No. 15, of Masons last night elected the following officers, who were duly installed by District Deputy Grandmaster William E. Poole:

Worshipful master, Thomas M. Davis; senior warden, John W. Friend; junior warden, Alexander W. Bryant; treasurer, Powhatan M. Steward; secretary, Charles E. Bost; senior deacon, Rev. James A. McClary; junior deacon, Rev. E. P. Dandridge; chaplain, Rev. George R. Zeigler and Wallace D. Blanks; tiler, Joseph Williams; stewards, J. J. Gardner and S. D. Rodgers; auditing committee, W. D. Blanks and I. T. Townsend.

## Arranging for the Farmers.

Arrangements are in progress for the reception and accommodation of 1,000 delegates and visitors to the State convention of the Farmers' Educational and Co-operative Union, which will meet for a three days' session in Petersburg in February, all sections to be represented. The membership of the union has doubled within the past year. Outside of important business to be considered, addresses will be delivered by present members and visitors. Efforts are being made to have in Petersburg during the sitting of the convention the big demonstration train, to be sent out about the first of February, under the auspices of the agricultural and industrial department of the Norfolk and Western Railway. This train, it is said, will consist of fifteen cars, each devoted to some form of agriculture, and the whole comprising a comprehensive agricultural demonstration.

## Woodmen Elect Officers.

Maple Camp, Woodmen of the World, of City Point, night before last elect-

ed the following officers for the ensuing year: Council commander, Henry L. Munt; advisor, Houtenau, J. E. Belcher; banker, T. R. Bowen; clerk, Harry Sherman; escort, J. Percy West; watchman, Ira E. Bowen; sentry, Harry W. Johnson; physician, Dr. C. T. Jones; and managers, S. R. Buren, T. D. Birchett and G. S. Staples. An oyster supper and smoker followed the meeting.

## General News Notes.

Mr. and Mrs. Morris Levy, formerly of Petersburg, announce the marriage of their daughter, Rebecca Levy, to Dr. Benjamin Thomas, Thursday, December 18, in Richmond.

Mrs. M. Carter Hall, of Washington, is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Gring, in South Sycamore Street.

Mrs. J. C. Hardy left today for Washington to visit her daughter, Mrs. L. L. Pettus. She will visit relatives in Culpeper before returning home.

Mrs. J. E. Goldwell is critically ill at her home on South Sycamore Street as the result of paralysis, with which she was stricken several days ago. It was very recently that Mr. and Mrs. Goldwell celebrated the fifty-seventh anniversary of their marriage.

In the Circuit Court of Dinwiddie on Monday the damage suit of Booth vs. Norfolk and Western Railway will be called for trial. The plaintiff alleges the blocking of the right of way on his property by the company.

The board of directors of the Petersburg Savings and Insurance Company has declared a dividend of 5 per cent on the capital stock for the present quarter.

The Christmas trade this year has been greater than for years past. Frank R. Wilson, proprietor of the New Shirley Hotel, has been confined to his room for some days by sickness.

Child Burned to Death. Heathsville, Va., December 19.—The youngest child of Mrs. Mildred Swann, of Rainswood, in this county, was burned to death yesterday.

The mother had gone to attend to some domestic duty, leaving the child with some others, and charging them to keep away from the fire. She had been gone but a few moments when she was startled by screams. Returning, she found the child clinging in a blaze. She succeeded in extinguishing the flames, but the child was so severely burned that it died last night.

## Late Mid-Season Arrivals Suits And Overcoats

Unlike the average store that must depend upon a general source of supply, and therefore provide a whole season's needs, we make and are supplied as we need them. The advantage is self-suggestive. It means new things all the time—new fabrics, new patterns, new models, often a whole season in advance of other places. Our immense holiday stocks feature this advantage in a surprising manner—beyond question or doubt the handsomest display of really high class, uncommonly fashioned and distinctive apparel—Suits and Overcoats—ever shown in Richmond. Every wanted color, weave, shade, design and style—every size for any figure, and wonderful values at each price—\$20, \$22.50, \$25, \$27.50, \$30, \$35.

**\$18 and \$20.00 Suits and Overcoats at \$15**

There is a genuine and substantial holiday spirit in this offering—a chance for the restricted purse to procure good clothes for holiday cheer at small cost; worth every penny of \$18 and \$20, they should sell fast, and you cannot come too soon if interested.

**\$15**

Suits of strictly pure wool fabrics; worsteds, cassimeres, chevrons, etc., in big variety; new strays, new browns, new mixtures, black and white stripes and broken effects.

Overcoats in all the new models and lengths—dressed black Chesterfields; fancy tweeds and neat Oxford colorings; in swaggar shawl rolls and convertible collars with belted backs. They're wonderful values.

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English Norfolk models, English sack models, conservative three and four-button sack suits, in elegant worsteds, soft cassimeres, Scotch chevrons and Irish homespun—beautiful weaves, handsome patterns, newest colors, best of workmanship and fitting.

Belted shawl collar Overcoats—43, 46, 48, 50, 52, 55-inch lengths, in chinchilla and other correct fabrics—swaggar blazerettes, useful and dressy cravettes, Chesterfields, in varied gray shades, blacks, browns and mixtures, beautifully tailored and lined.

## Useful Gift Suggestions in Men's Wear

**Men's Raincoats, \$5.00**  
Double texture slip-ons of gray bombazine, plaid back, raglan or plain shoulder. We guarantee these coats to be absolutely waterproof or give you another coat for one that leaks; real \$7.50 value; Christmas special ..... **\$5.00**

**Blanket Bath Robes, \$2.98**  
Blanket Bath Robes, good quality, bright red edging, belt, holar, and pistol included; special at ..... **\$2.98**

**Bath Robe Sets, \$5.00**  
Terry and Blanket Robes, with a pair of bedroom slippers to match, in gray, navy, and other correct colors, green, red and maroon; robe exclusive of slippers is worth more than price charged for complete outfit; Christmas special ..... **\$5.00**

**Children's Play Suits**  
Boys' and Girls' Indian Suits, with elaborate headpieces, trimmed in striking color combination of blue, yellow and gold; special at ..... **98c**

Cowboy Outfit, consisting of blue dannel shirt, fringed at side, trousers, hat, neckerchief, lariar, pistol and holster; special at ..... **98c**

Cowgirl Outfit, black blouse and skirt leather trimmed, with hat to match; also lariar, neckerchief, patent leather holster and pistol; special at ..... **\$1.25**

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Boys' Rough Rider Outfit, made of extra quality khaki with yellow and brass trimmings—hat to match; special at ..... **\$1.98**

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Best Salt Pork	15c	Frankfurt Sausage	14c
Best Creamery Butter	36c	Choice Roast of Lamb	12 1/2c
Best Butterine	25c	Choice Lamb for Stew	10c
Good Butterine	20c	Pickled Tripe	7c
Real Pig Foot Souse	15c	Pickled Pig Feet	7c
Best Dressed Fowl	20c	Best Guaranteed Eggs	32c
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